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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. Clegg

5-9-49

From Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, dated May 9, 1949

1. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, in a letter to Mr. Clegg, dated May 9, 1949, requested that you investigate the situation in the rolling stock industry, particularly in connection with the purchase of rolling stock, and report to me on the results of your investigation.

2. That Mr. J. Edgar Hoover is really concerned about the fact that there has been a large increase in the purchase of rolling stock, and is quite sure that this increase is due to the fact that the rolling stock industry is in a position to purchase rolling stock, particularly the locomotives which are not able to reason and for which the market has been closed by the fact that...

3. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover gave me the following documents which may be of some interest:

- a. Consolidated Statistics of Rolling Stock of the Consolidated Railways of the United States for the years ended June 30, 1947 and 1948. This document is taken from the annual report to stockholders of the Consolidated Railways of the United States for the fiscal year 1947-1948.
- b. A copy of a document which is a report of the condition of the rolling stock of the Great Northern Railway Company, dated November 1, 1947. This document was obtained by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover through a friend in Miami who obtained it from Cuba.
- c. A letter to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, dated 5 Dec 47, written in Spanish, and which is a report of the condition of the rolling stock of the Great Northern Railway Company, the text of which is contained in the document which is a copy of the letter in English. This document is a copy of the letter which you received from the Cuban document and I assume that you can read it without any difficulty.

4. The documents described in items a and b are also attached to this letter.

5. Mr. J. Edgar Hoover has requested that you investigate the situation in the rolling stock industry, particularly in connection with the purchase of rolling stock, and report to me on the results of your investigation. Since this is a very large industry, it is possible that you will find some information which is of interest to me.

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